

Leeuwin Estate

Leeuwin Estate Siblings Sauvignon Blanc is a fresh, lively expression from Margaret River, combining vibrant citrus with herbal complexity, perfect for those seeking a refreshing yet layered white.



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Alcohol :13,50 % Composition: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

Siblings Sauvignon Blanc 2023

Margaret River, Australia

Region and Vineyards

The **Margaret River region** is one of Australia's top cool-climate regions for Sauvignon Blanc, with a maritime influence that enhances the natural acidity and aromatic profile of the grapes. The vintage was characterized by a wet and windy spring, followed by warm conditions in January and February, with cooling sea breezes. These conditions promoted balanced ripening and excellent concentration in the fruit, while a high presence of Marri blossom helped to protect the vines from bird activity, preserving the integrity of the crop.

Leeuwin Estate's vineyards are planted on well-drained gravelly soils, which contribute to a vibrant acidity and minerality in the wines. The climate's steady warmth allowed the Sauvignon Blanc grapes to develop concentrated flavors while retaining freshness, resulting in a wine that captures Margaret River's unique terroir with precision.

Winemaking

The **Siblings Sauvignon Blanc** was crafted to highlight freshness and varietal purity. The grapes were harvested at night to retain maximum freshness and immediately pressed. After settling off the gross lees, the juice was inoculated with pure yeast cultures and fermented at cool temperatures in stainless steel tanks for two weeks. Following fermentation, select parcels were blended to create a balanced profile, with stirring on lees to add texture. Finally, the wine was fined, stabilized, and bottled to capture its lively character.

This approach maintains a **13.5% alcohol** content, with **6.76 g/L of acidity** and a **pH of 3.20**, resulting in a crisp, textured Sauvignon Blanc with depth.

Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Pale straw with green highlights, suggesting freshness.
- **Aroma**: Bursting with notes of lychee, lime, lemon zest, and guava, interwoven with hints of clove, fennel, thyme, and lemongrass.
- **Palate**: A zesty, layered profile with flavors of lime, mandarin, and gooseberry, balanced by a mid-palate texture and a refreshing line of acidity.





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Did You Know?

The **Siblings series** by Leeuwin Estate celebrates the next generation of the Horgan family, emphasizing approachability and vibrant, fruit-forward styles that capture Margaret River's distinctive terroir.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Ceviche with Fresh Herbs and Citrus**: The bright acidity and citrus notes of the wine complement the freshness of ceviche, while herbs highlight the wine's subtle thyme and fennel accents.
- **Thai Green Papaya Salad**: The wine's lime and guava notes resonate with the tangy, spicy flavors of this dish, and its acidity balances the salad's richness.
- **Oysters with Mignonette Sauce**: The minerality of the wine pairs beautifully with the briny oysters, while its crisp finish enhances the vinegar notes in the mignonette.
- **Goat Cheese Tart with Lemon Zest**: The wine's fresh acidity cuts through the creaminess of the cheese, and the citrus notes echo the lemon zest, making for a harmonious pairing.

Robert Parker (RP): 92 Points (2022)

The 2022 Siblings Sauvignon Blanc leads with snow pea, gooseberry, cassis, autumnal undergrowth and white tea. It's an interestingly complex amalgam of characters—salted green apples, leafy herbs and briny acidity—that reinforce the wine's excellent value for the money. This wine is 100% Sauvignon Blanc, sourced from selected vineyards on the estate and further south at the Peppy Park Vineyard. Twenty-five percent of the cuvée was fermented and matured in second and third-year oak, for three to four months. Bâtonnage was undertaken post fermentation to work textural complexity into the wine. The drinking window indicates early drinking; however, I'd be interested to see this beyond five years; the barrel work suggests it could go a little longer, should you wish further complexity.

James Halliday (JH): 90 Points (2022)

Almost translucent in the glass but the flavours are far from shy: passionfruit and pith, green peppers plus lemongrass. It's juicy, racy and refreshing with puckering acidity to close and finishes dry.

James Suckling (JS): 90 Points (2022)

90 James Suckling

Fresh nose of green pears, guavas, lime zest and grapefruits. Medium-bodied with tangy acidity and a vibrant, crunchy array of citrus. Refreshing. Drink now.





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